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FM AMB. SMITH SALT HELSINKI 0119  
TO THE WHITE HOUSE (PLEASE PASS TO SAN CLEMENTE) EYES ONLY DR.  
HENRY A. KISSINGER

DEAR HENRY:

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE USE OF YOUR  
SPELL "UNDER THE WEATHER."

RECALLING YOUR INTEREST IN POSSIBLE CONCLUSION OF HOT  
LINE AND ACCIDENT MEASURES PRIOR TO LIMITATIONS AGREEMENT,  
I SUGGEST CONSIDERATION OF SOME SUCH MOVE SOON TO "BALANCE"  
MOVE RE CHINA. SUCH MOVE MIGHT HELP TO AVOID POSSIBLE  
STIFFENING OF KREMLIN ATTITUDE RE SALT ISSUES. BOTH ACCIDENTS  
AND HOT LINE AGREEMENTS ARE PROBABLY REACHABLE IN SEVERAL  
WEEKS. ACCIDENT MEASURES COMPLETION WOULD REQUIRE SOME,  
BUT NOT MAJOR, ADJUSTMENT OUR POSITION. HOT LINE SHOULD BE  
FAIRLY EASY. IN CASE OF POSITIVE DECISION, I BELIEVE COMMUNI-  
CATING IT TO SOVIETS AT EARLY DATE WOULD HELP LUBRICATE SOVIET  
REVIEW OF OTHER SALT MATTERS.

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SEMENOV MAY RAISE JULY 15 ANNOUNCEMENT WITH ME IN  
OUR NEXT PRIVATE CONVERSATION. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING  
ANY GUIDANCE YOU DEEMED APPROPRIATE FOR ME FOR PRIVATE  
CONVERSATIONS WITH SEMENOV, EITHER TO VOLUNTEER OR IN  
RESPONSE.

State Dept. review  
completedWARM REGARDS.  
GERRY SMITHGP-1  
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